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Chan et al.

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For: VISUALIZING AUTOMATICALLY  
GENERATED SEGMENTS

Examiner: Wilbert J. Sparks, Jr.

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS  
FOR ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR §1.104(E)**

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Sir:

Applicant has received the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance with the November 23, 2004 Notices of Allowance and Allowability regarding the above-identified application. Entry of the Statement into the record should not be construed as any agreement with or acquiescence in the reasoning stated by the Examiner. Each of the claims stands on its own merits and is patentable because of the combination it recites and not because of the presence or absence of any one particular element.

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